Docket No.: 064693-0015

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

LOEB, GERALD E.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO IDENTIFY SMALL VARIATIONS OF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of September 26, 2003 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, Group I (claims 1-13) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 501946 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully/submitted,

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